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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/206,040
Filed: December 4, 1998
Title: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated
with Plants
Applicants: Joseph R. BYRUM *et al.*
Atty. Docket: 16517.137

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136; and
2. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Applicants request that the following fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 16517.137:

\$ 450.00 two-month extension of time fee

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees, other than the above (\$450), are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any additional fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 16517.137. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is hereby requested that the period for submitting an Appeal Brief be extended 2 months from August 23, 2005 to October 24, 2005 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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